

Turner (OH)	Walsh	Whitfield
Turner (TX)	Wamp	Wicker
Udall (CO)	Watson	Wilson (NM)
Udall (NM)	Watt	Wilson (SC)
Upton	Waxman	Wolf
Van Hollen	Weiner	Woolsey
Velazquez	Weldon (FL)	Wu
Visclosky	Weldon (PA)	Wynn
Vitter	Weller	Young (FL)
Walden (OR)	Wexler	

NAYS—50

Akin	Goodlatte	Otter
Bartlett (MD)	Graves	Paul
Berry	Gutknecht	Petri
Chabot	Hall	Pitts
Coble	Hayes	Pombo
Collins	Hefley	Rahall
Cubin	Herger	Rohrabacher
Davis, Jo Ann	Hostettler	Ryun (KS)
Deal (GA)	Hulshof	Sensenbrenner
Duncan	Jones (NC)	Smith (MI)
Everett	King (IA)	Stearns
Feeney	Lucas (OK)	Tancredo
Flake	Manzullo	Tanner
Forbes	McInnis	Taylor (MS)
Franks (AZ)	Miller (FL)	Taylor (NC)
Garrett (NJ)	Musgrave	Toomey
Goode	Norwood	

NOT VOTING—14

Berkley	Gephardt	Pastor
Bishop (UT)	Hyde	Sullivan
Clay	Jenkins	Waters
Ferguson	Kind	Young (AK)
Ford	Matsui	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GILLMOR) (during the vote). Members are advised that 2 minutes remain in the vote.

□ 0141

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 1308, TAX RELIEF, SIMPLIFICATION, AND EQUITY ACT OF 2003

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, subject to rule XXII, clause 7(c), I hereby announce my intention to offer a motion to instruct on H.R. 1308, the Child Tax Credit Bill. The form of the motion is as follows:

Mr. Speaker, I move that the managers on the part of the House in the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1308 be instructed as follows:

1. The House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report the provision of the Senate amendment (not included in the House amendment) that provides immediate payments to taxpayers receiving an additional credit by reason of the bill in the same manner as other taxpayers were entitled to immediate payments under the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.

2. The House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report the provision of the Senate amendment (not included in the House amendment) that provides families of military personnel serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other combat zones a child credit based on the earnings of the individuals serving in the combat zone.

3. The House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report all of the other provisions of the Senate amendment and shall not report back a conference report

that includes additional tax benefits not offset by other provisions.

4. To the maximum extent possible within the scope of conference, the House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report other tax benefits for military personnel and the families of the astronauts who died in the Columbia disaster.

5. The House conferees shall, as soon as practicable after the adoption of this motion, meet in open session with the Senate conferees and the House conferees shall file a conference report consistent with the preceding provisions of this instruction, not later than the second legislative day after adoption of this motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman's notice will appear in the RECORD.

MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 1308, TAX RELIEF, SIMPLIFICATION, AND EQUITY ACT OF 2003

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HAYES). The Clerk will report the motion.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Speaker, I move that the managers on the part of the House in the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1308 be instructed as follows:

1. The House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report the provision of the Senate amendment (not included in the House amendment) that provides immediate payments to taxpayers receiving an additional credit by reason of the bill in the same manner as other taxpayers were entitled to immediate payments under the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.

2. The House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report the provision of the Senate amendment (not included in the House amendment) that provides families of military personnel serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other combat zones a child credit based on the earnings of the individuals serving in the combat zone.

3. The House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report all of the other provision of the Senate amendment and shall not report back a conference report that includes additional tax benefits not offset by other provisions.

4. To the maximum extent possible within the scope of conference, the House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report other tax benefits for military personnel and the families of the astronauts who died in the Columbia disaster.

5. The House conferees shall, as soon as practicable after the adoption of this motion, meet in open session with the Senate conferees and the House conferees, shall file a conference report consistent with the preceding provisions of this instruction, not later than the second legislative day after adoption of this motion.

□ 0145

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HAYES). Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. BISHOP) and a Member of the majority party each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York (Mr. BISHOP).

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise today to urge conferees on H.R. 1308, the child tax credit legislation, to do the right thing and act now to give lower-income families the tax refunds they deserve. This Friday, Uncle Sam will drop checks in the mail to millions of families who will benefit from the child tax credit. However, if the House would simply put an end to stalling tactics over the Senate bill and act to extend the child tax credit, 4 million additional families would receive a much-needed check in the mail, and 2.5 million families would enjoy a larger check than they are currently scheduled to receive.

Earlier this year, this Congress passed a \$350 billion tax cut bill that failed to provide families of low-income children with a child tax credit. The Senate acted in early June to extend the child tax credit to include low-income families. The Senate bill was deficit neutral, as its costs were offset by other revenues. The House responded to this \$9.5 billion deficit-neutral Senate bill with a bloated \$82 billion plan, every dime of which adds to a deficit that is already of staggering proportions. Why?

It is difficult to resist the conclusion that the House leadership chose this response to the Senate bill precisely because they knew it would be completely unacceptable to the Senate. This is perfect, right? Give the illusion of responding to a real problem when in fact the response makes the solution even more elusive.

Now, the House continues to stall, unwilling to give an inch so that low-income families can receive the same \$1,000 child tax credit other families are expecting. We have an opportunity to call off the stonewalling and follow the Senate's lead in passing meaningful relief for low-income families and we should do it.

Refusing to take the time before Congress goes on vacation to provide low- and middle-income families with a child tax credit is nothing short of an assault on the working poor. At the present time, when our economy has taken a nose dive and families are forced to cut their budgets left and right, it defies logic to engage in such a blatant form of class warfare.

Any Member who thinks it is acceptable to leave town to go on vacation and to push off the urgent business of 6.5 million hardworking families is sending an unmistakable message about misplaced priorities. This kind of attitude may be acceptable in Washington, but it is not okay in my district. I am ashamed to return home to Long Island as the representative of a Federal Government that has turned a blind eye to the needs of the 20,000 families in my district estimated to lose out if we deny them their benefits without a fight.

If this House sees wisdom in giving millionaires alone a \$90 billion tax break, certainly we can give families making between \$10,500 and \$26,000 a small break. That is \$10,500 to \$26,000.